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Wakefield Turns On The Defense

Upset League-Leading Stuart



Wakefield halfback Melvin Cook breaks through for a long gain in the first quarter of last night's Northern District game at Stuart. Stuart defensive end Bob Bodholdt (84) and an unidentified teammate attempt to close in on the elusive

Cook. The Warriors handed Stuart its first defeat of the season, 7-6.

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FALLS CHURCH — Wakefield scored with 1:43 left in the second quarter and held on to upset league-leading Stuart in the topsy-turvy Northern District last night at Stuart.

The Warriors, with a reputation for being a fine defensive team, were exactly that last night in handing the Raiders their first loss of the season.

Wakefield got enough offense in the second quarter when the Warriors scored and then settled back to hem in the powerful Stuart offense led by Ray Friday.

Friday scored his team's only touchdown in the fourth quarter and on a two-point conversion attempt the Wakefield defense hauled him down with a possible victory in hand.

Wakefield drove 60 yards with the clock running out in the first half. A 29-yard run by Melvin Cook was called back by a clipping penalty, but quarterback Lou Klepec connected with John Jones on a pass play to take the ball to the Stuart 5.

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Three plays later Moscoe Brownlee, who led the Wakefield offense, scored on a 1-yard plunge. Klepec kicked the extra point and that was the most important play of the night as far as the Warriors were concerned.

Stuart started its only touchdown drive late in the third quarter. A 10-yard pass from John Banks to Grayson Poats and a 30-yard run by Friday put the ball at the Wakefield 4. On the next play Friday went over for the touchdown.

Friday tried to move off the right side of the Wakefield defensive unit for the two-point conversion but was hauled down two yards short of the goal line.

Friday kept up his 100-yards per game average with 102 yards in 18 carries. The Raiders managed only 184 yards on the ground against the stout Wakefield defense and added 57 yards in the air.

Wakefield, with Brownlee gaining 78 yards in 22 carries, gained 143 yards rushing and 46 passing.

Stuart remains in first place in the Northern District with a 3-1 record. Woodson, in second place with a 2-1 mark played out of the league last night at Oakton while Fairfax, also 2-1, played a scoreless tie with Williams.

Wakefield is now 3-2 in league play.

Wakefield	0 7 0 0—7
Stuart	0 0 0 6—6

W: Brownlee (1-run); Klepec (kick).

S: Friday (4-run); run failed.